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### FAMILY MOBILE

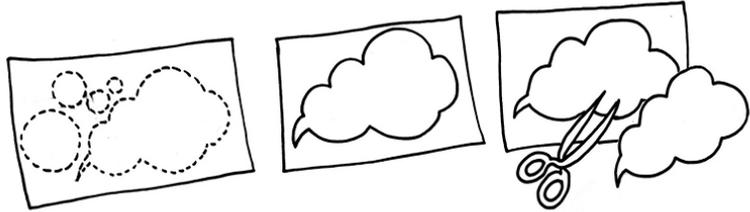
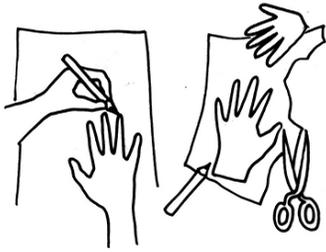
There are lots of fun ways to decorate a room: you can hang pictures or posters on the walls or place knick-knacks on the shelves. But what about the ceiling? Well, about a hundred years ago an artist called Alexander Calder created the perfect decoration for ceilings when he invented the mobile, a kind of hanging sculpture that moves around in the air. This mobile, designed by Mogollon, is perfect for your home because it's made from handprints of your family's own hands! And what's more, you can take this idea and make other mobiles – with friends' hands or even with feet!

### YOU WILL NEED

- Ⓐ Card or cardboard
- Ⓑ Felt in various colors, including black and white
- Ⓒ Sticky tape
- Ⓓ A nice-looking branch (about 3 ft long)
- Ⓔ 6 ft of string
- Ⓕ A pencil
- Ⓖ Glue
- Ⓗ Some small coins, preferably pennies
- Ⓘ Scissors

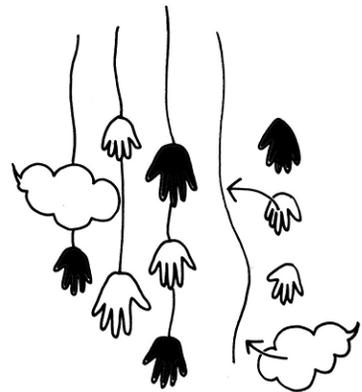


# INSTRUCTIONS



**1.** Trace around the hands of each member of your family on card and cut them out. These will be your hand templates. Trace each of the templates twice onto different coloured felts, then cut them out.

**2.** To make the eye clouds, cut out two larger cloud shapes, and eight additional circles. For the larger circles cut out two circles that fit into the cloud, and six additional smaller circles for the inside of the eye.

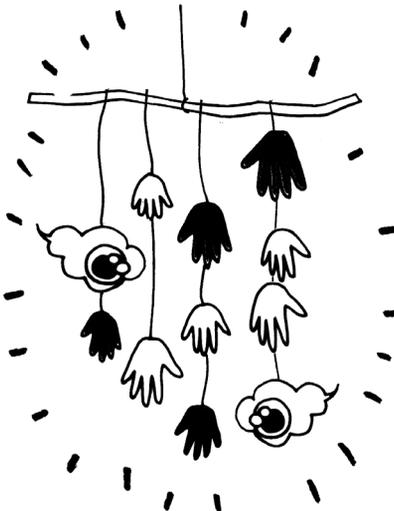


**3.** Cut the string into 4-5 pieces, each between 6-12 in long. Glue one end of a piece of string to a coin and then glue the coin onto the middle of a cloud or hand template and tape over it. Then glue a matching felt cloud or hand cutout onto the card, over the coin and string. Paste the other matching felt cloud or hand onto the other side of the card, so both sides are covered in felt. Complete the cloud by glueing eye parts on both sides.

**4.** Add a few other card templates (hands or clouds) onto your string by taping them in place, then glue on the matching felt pieces. Repeat steps 3 and 4 on the other pieces of string.

**5.** Tie a fresh piece of string to the middle of your branch.

**6.** Lay your branch on the floor and arrange the decorated



strings along the branch. Try to balance out the weight so that when you hang the mobile, one side isn't heavier than the other. Tie the strings tightly to the branch. Now it's ready to be hung!

This is the string from which your mobile will hang.

**6.** Lay your branch on the floor and arrange the decorated